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??-1.1 INTRODUCTION

This section provides the process by which the Demolition Funds program operates including prioritization of projects, funding of projects, the time frames of all the required actions, and other related activities.

In a number of reports, most recently Stewardship of Federal Facilities, *A Proactive Strategy for Managing the Nation's Public Assets*, National Research Council, 1998, recommended that agency Federal facilities that are not needed to support the agency mission be removed from the inventory. This is to both save resources that could be used elsewhere and to reduce risk to the agency from poorly maintained or abandoned structures. The Indian Health Service has a number of these types of structures.

The budget justification for FY 2000 budget included a justification for using up to \$2,000,000 of increased Maintenance and Improvement funds 'for the demolition of vacant and obsolete buildings or structures not needed or wanted by the IHS or Tribes at IHS installations. This action will reduce safety and security issues related to obsolete and vacant structures.'

??-1.2 DEFINITIONS

Environmental Remediation Steering Committee - The committee is tasked with managing the environmental remediation funding actions at health care facilities. The committee consists of Area and Headquarters facilities and environmental health personnel. This includes determining project priorities and monitoring corrective actions.

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??-1.3 SCOPE AND LIMITATION OF FUNDS

These funds are only to be used for the demolition of Federal structures that are currently not in use as of May 1999. The demolition and removal of all structures in the future will be included in the project cost and demolished using Area M&I and other appropriate funding when and as needed. Funding from these funds will only be provided for projects with an overall cost of \$25,000 or over. Projects with a cost of under \$25,000 will be funded at the Area level.

Costs associated with demolition contract preparation, historical review, etc. can be included in the \$25,000. Costs associated with environmental remediation and testing are not funded from these funds.

All upfront costs will be paid for by the Area and reimbursed (as eligible) when funding is forwarded to the Area for the demolition.

??-1.4 RESPONSIBILITIES

The Environmental Remediation Funds Steering Committee will manage the distribution of these funds. Due to the interrelation between demolition of older structures and environmental remediation needed to effect this demolition it was felt this would be a good management structure.

The Areas are responsible for all documentation needed prior to demolition of the structure in addition to the contracting for the actual demolition. This may include; real Property disposal documents; historical review and document preparation; demolition contract preparation; project documentation; etc.

??-1.4 PROCESS

The Environmental Remediation Funds Steering Committee will request submissions for these funds. The documents submitted when requesting funds will be Project Summary Documents or Project Justification

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Documents as needed. Projects should be ready for immediate contracting and demolition at the time of the funds request. Expeditious use of these funds is desired.

The Steering Committee will request projects at least once per year. This may coincide with the request for environmental remediation funds projects.

Funding will be on a first come first serve basis. If more projects than funds are available, the Steering Committee will use professional judgement, based on the information in the project documentation and other sources, to determine funding priorities based on risk levels, etc.